

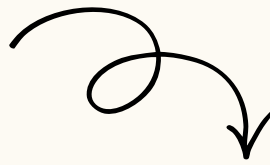
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COME STAY AT THE *Kilkenny*



KILKENNY
RIVER COURT
HOTEL

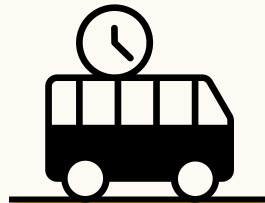


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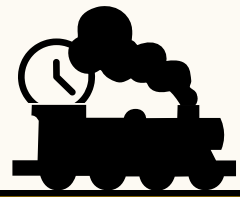


Perfectly located in the heart of Kilkenny City, The River Court Hotel offers exceptional convenience for guests travelling by public transport.

Both the Kilkenny train station and main bus station are just a short walk away, providing easy access to Dublin, Waterford, and other major destinations. Whether arriving for business or leisure, guests can enjoy seamless travel connections while staying just steps from Kilkenny's vibrant city centre and historic attractions.



[BUS SCHEDULE](#) →



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**KILKENNY
TRAIN STATION**

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RIVER NORE

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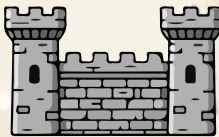
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JAMES'S GREEN

THE PARADE



KILKENNY CITY

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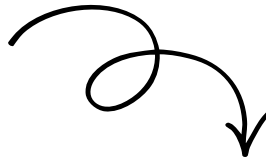
Kilkenny

From medieval landmarks and scenic countryside escapes to lively pubs, family attractions, and unforgettable dining experiences, there's something for every visitor to enjoy. Perfectly located in the centre of it all, River Court Hotel offers the ideal base to explore everything this charming city and its surrounding attractions have to offer.



Get ready to explore County Kilkenny. A historic and vibrant place where culture and adventure collide.

Choose Your Category



HERITAGE & HISTORY



ARTS & CULTURE



FAMILY FUN



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FESTIVALS & EVENTS

START PLANNING

Explore Kilkenny!

Download the Kilkenny City Map & start planning your adventure!

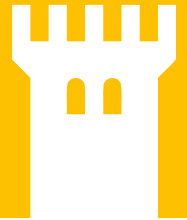
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Heritage & History



Step back in time and uncover the rich tapestry of Kilkenny's heritage and history!



KILKENNY CASTLE CITY CENTRE | 5 MINUTE WALK

Go back in time to a 12th Century castle, remodelled & restored and set in 1830's splendour and extensive parklands: includes art gallery and playground.

[Find Out More](#)



FAMINE EXPERIENCE CITY CENTRE | 5 MINUTE WALK

Visit Kilkenny Union Workhouse, adjacent to Kilkenny Train Station to take this audio visual self-led tour for just €5 per person.

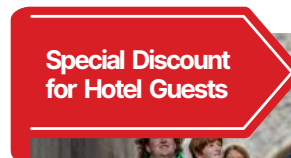
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MEDIEVAL MILE MUSEUM CITY CENTRE | 5 MINUTE WALK

The 13th century St Mary's church and graveyard is the finest example of a medieval church in Ireland. It brings to life Kilkenny's history as Ireland's premier medieval city.

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SHENANIGANS WALKS CITY CENTRE | 5 MINUTE WALK

The Kilkenny City Walk is the fun way to experience historic Kilkenny City, the jewel in the crown of Ireland's Ancient East. Blending comedy, magic, history, whimsical fun and plenty of Shenanigans.

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Arts & Culture

Discover the artistic heartbeat of Kilkenny!



KILKENNY DESIGN CENTRE CITY CENTRE | 5 MINUTE WALK

The Centre is Ireland's most prestigious source of Irish gifts of exceptional quality, all chosen with a discerning eye for quality, uniqueness and style.

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DUISKE GLASS GRAIGUENAMANAGH | 35 MINUTE DRIVE

A handcut glass and handcut crystal brand with success in Ireland and globally. It's well known for its grapevine cut which is still handcut at Duiske Glass

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BUTLER GALLERY CITY CENTRE | 5 MINUTE WALK

Explore their significant collection of 20th century Irish art, discover contemporary work by living artists, take part in family friendly art activities, and find out about a heritage spanning 800 years in their historic building and walled gardens.

[Find Out More](#)



THE WATERGATE THEATRE CITY CENTRE | 9 MINUTE WALK

Located in the heart of Kilkenny City, the Watergate Theatre have been keeping audiences entertained since 1993 with local, national and international productions, live music, dance, comedy and much more.

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Bring the whole family and dive into the fun Kilkenny has to offer!



K BOWL

CITY CENTRE | 9 MINUTE WALK

At KBowl you can experience state of the art computerized scoring systems while relaxing on leather sofas enjoying a selection of refreshments.

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NORE VALLEY PARK

BENNETTSBRIDGE | 18 MINUTE DRIVE

A pet farm nestled by the picturesque river Nore. Perfect for whether you're yearning for a nostalgic trip to the past or seeking a fresh adventure.

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KILTORCAN RACEWAY

KILTORCAN | 30 MINUTE DRIVE

Kiltorcan Raceway is one of Ireland's best go-kart circuit's and is known to be challenging, exhilarating and fun, while still being an extremely safe track. Your time here will be packed with excitement & fun.

[Find Out More](#)



THE NATIONAL REPTILE ZOO

CITY CENTRE | 7 MINUTE DRIVE

The National Reptile Zoo is Ireland's only dedicated reptile zoo! They give you the unique opportunity to come face to face with some of the world's most amazing animals.

[Find Out More](#)

Trails & Nature



**Experience the great outdoors and let
Kilkenny inspire your next adventure!**



WOODSTOCK GARDENS
INISTIOGE | 35 MINUTE DRIVE

The beautiful Woodstock Gardens and Arboretum are located overlooking the River Nore Valley and the picturesque village of Inistioge.

[Find Out More](#)



KILFANE GLEN & WATERFALL
KILFANE | 25 MINUTE DRIVE

Untouched for 200 years, it is a paradise with a waterfall tumbling its way to a rushing stream and woodland paths leading to a cottage orné.

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ZWARTBLES IRELAND
BENNETTSBRIDGE | 13 MINUTE DRIVE

Experience the thrill of adventure at zwartbles ireland - where the beauty of the countryside meets unforgettable outdoor activities, perfect for groups, families, and adrenaline seekers alike.

[Find Out More](#)



LINGAUN VALLEY
GRANGEMOCKLER | 35 MINUTE DRIVE

Legendary valley beneath the shadow of Sliabh na mBan. A wealth of ancient and historic sites are scattered along this path. The region is extremely rural in nature and has a strong tradition of farming.

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Explore and take a piece of Kilkenny home with you!



MACDONAGH JUNCTION CITY CENTRE | 5 MINUTE WALK

MacDonagh Junction, an multi award winning retail and leisure hub is located in the heart of Kilkenny City beside the train station. Boasting shops like River Island, H&M & more...!

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BUTTERSLIP GIFT SHOP CITY CENTRE | 2 MINUTE WALK

Discover a carefully curated collection of unique homeware, Irish gifts, fashion accessories, and thoughtful finds, perfect for treating yourself or bringing a little piece of Kilkenny home with you.

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MARKET CROSS CITY CENTRE | 5 MINUTE WALK

Continually boast some of the best known branded shops and retail outlets in Ireland, including such names as Supervalu, Heatons, and Penneys, to name but a few.

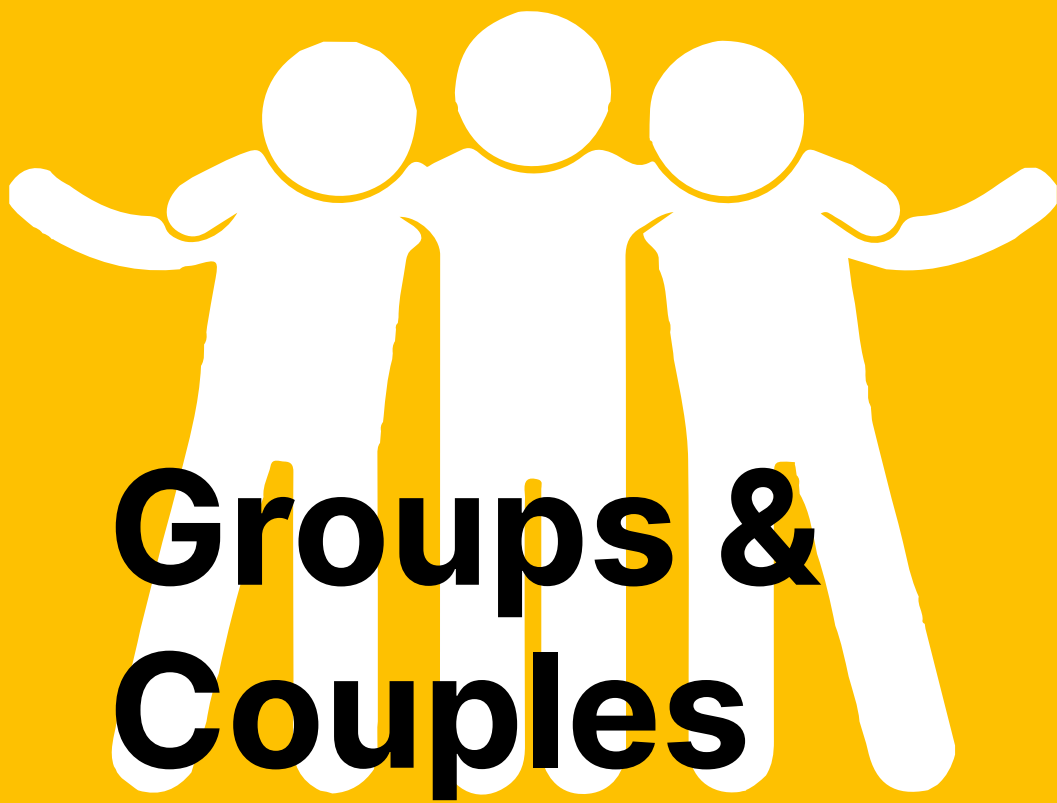
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GOODS OF KILKENNY CITY CENTRE | 5 MINUTE WALK

Founded in 1927 by Henry Good, Good's began as a modest shoe shop and has since evolved into a thriving fashion destination. Providing men's, ladies', and children's apparel.

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Groups & Couples

Make memories together...perfect for groups & couples!



Special Discount
for Hotel Guests



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SMITHWICK'S EXPERIENCE

CITY CENTRE | 7 MINUTE WALK

Join the local, passionate guides as they reveal the secrets behind Ireland's most popular ale. Explore how centuries of brewing innovation have shaped Smithwick's into the beloved brand it is today.

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VALLEY OF ROSES

CITY CENTRE | 2 MINUTE WALK

Create Your Own Signature Scent. Their workshops are for creative, design sensitive people. You'll find the perfect perfume in the collection; including the hottest brands!

[Find Out More](#)



GO WITH THE FLOW

BORRIS | 40 MINUTE DRIVE

With The Flow brings you adventurous Canoeing trips in Kilkenny. The experience offers you the chance to explore the beautiful countryside by taking you into beautiful, unspoilt and exciting waterways.

[Find Out More](#)



HIDEAWAY SAUNA

CITY CENTRE | 5 MINUTE WALK

Unwind and recharge at Hideaway Sauna, a unique wellness escape designed to help you relax, reset, and reconnect. Hideaway Sauna offers the perfect retreat after a day exploring Kilkenny's vibrant city

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Come join the celebrations at our festivals & events!



Spring



St. Patrick's Festival & Kilkenny Tradfest (March)

A huge celebration of Irish culture featuring parades, street entertainment, live traditional music, workshops, and family fun across the city.

Kilkenny Tradfest

One of Ireland's leading traditional Irish music festivals with free performances, concerts, and pub sessions throughout Kilkenny.

Summer



Smithwick's Kilkenny Roots Festival (May)

A vibrant Americana, folk, bluegrass, and roots music festival spread across pubs, theatres, and venues around the city.

Cat Laughs Comedy Festival (June)

One of Ireland's most famous comedy festivals, attracting top Irish and international comedians for a weekend full of laughs and live performances.

Kilkenny Arts Festival (August)

A world-class arts festival featuring theatre, music, literature, visual arts, opera, and street performances across historic venues in Kilkenny.

The Iverk Show

One of Ireland's largest agricultural shows celebrating farming, food, crafts, and local heritage.

Subtitle European Film Festival

A unique international film festival celebrating cinema and storytelling with screenings and filmmaker events

WHERE FESTIVALS LIVE

Autumn



Kilkenomics Festival (November)

A unique blend of economics, current affairs, and comedy, bringing together economists, journalists, and comedians from around the world.

Savour Kilkenny Food Festival (October)

A foodie favourite with cookery demonstrations, artisan food markets, dining experiences, and local producers set against the backdrop of Kilkenny Castle.

Winter



Yulefest Kilkenny (November–December)

Kilkenny transforms into a festive wonderland with Christmas markets, live music, family entertainment, lights, seasonal food, and holiday events throughout the city.

Kilkenny's year-round festival scene is part of what makes the city so special - whether you're into music, comedy, food, arts, or culture, there's always a reason to visit.

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